IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Yu et al. CONFIRMATION NO.: 4824

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SIMULATION USING A HYBRID MODEL

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In lieu of substantively responding to the outstanding Office action dated June 20, 2007, Applicant has filed a continuation application on December 20, 2007, claiming priority to the above-referenced application. Applicant currently petitions for a five-month extension of time in the above-referenced application. Please charge the fee for a five-month extension of time for a total of \$1,115.00 to our deposit account number 07-1700, reference no. MFL-003 (small entity). Applicant believes that no other fees are required. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of the same, to deposit account number 07-1700, if required, for this paper to be entered and considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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